

SLRC/STAKEHOLDER MEETING AUGUST 8, 2003

Announcements:

- Richard introduced guests: Senator Joan Bray, Tracy McCreery, Senator Bray's assistant, and Mike Reed from Senator Louden's office.
- An update was presented regarding community placements in the East District.
- Contracts are being developed with BJC Heartland Supported Living, Boys & Girls Town and Life Skills in regard to Children's issues.
- UR MAT is going to review the past years results at a meeting in Jefferson City on August 21st.
- Richard assured stakeholders that 1/3 of the new caseload money was distributed to the East District.
- Richard encouraged stakeholders to offer recommendations for the FY '05 budget.

Fiscal year 2005 budget (Stakeholders have 2 priorities)

1. **Caseload Growth** (should include needs other than residential services)
 - a. A realistic expression of need in DMH should be requested rather than what the Governor will support.
 - b. Use wait list information to drive budget requests.
2. **COLA for Providers** (legislative mandate (based on CPI))
 - a. Direct Care Staff increases
 - b. Benefit pass through (SSI/SSA)
 - c. Equity for the East District
 1. Based on % of people served
 2. Based on cost differences in various areas of the state

Stakeholders discussed requesting a tax increase for MRDD (a revenue package).

Stakeholders broke into their original workgroups to review their purpose and establish the following outcomes.

Wait List Outcomes

- a. 52 persons on the priority wait list and the Ohlmstead list will receive placement by June 30, 2004.
- b. By June 30, 2008, all wait list persons will be served within 90 day.

Service Coordination Outcomes

- a. Consumers are satisfied with their plans
- b. Retain Service Coordinators so that case loads can be reasonable.
 - 1) It is essential that funding boards meet regularly and get minutes back to stakeholders.

Funding Outcomes

- a. All future allocations and cuts should be equitable based on per capita.
- b. Statewide funding should be equitable per capita
- c. Annual COLA based on (CPI)

Discussion:

Where is the Stakeholders group going?

- Three issues have been identified.
- Should the group have quarterly meetings?
- How do we measure outcomes?
- Where do we need to put our advocacy?
- Stakeholders want to be partners.

- Providers should also be sharing information as well as SLRC.
- How can we make sure that all fund are used equitably?

Next Meeting: 8/22/03 9:00 a.m. 211 N. Lindbergh training area

Respectfully submitted by Naomi Lebsock